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DEPT. PASS FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE/ASSOC. DIR. SCHREINER

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TAGS: SENV,KE
SUBJ: REACTION TO U.S. PROPOSAL TO DETERMINE ELEPHANT AS THREATENED
SPECIES

REF: STATE A-0389

1. DR. IAIN DOUGLAS-HAMILTON, CHAIRMAN, IUCN/WWF ELEPHANT SURVEY AND
CONSERVATION PROGRAM SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING COMMENTS ON FISH AND
WILDLIFE
SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING STATUS OF AFRICAN ELEPHANT (REF.AIRGRAM).

2. THE IUCN ELEPHANT SPECIALIST GROUP STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT OPTION
FOUR IS ADOPTED BECAUSE: (A) IT WOULD ENSURE THAN THE U.S. WOULD REMAIN
INVOLVED IN MONITORING THE INTERNATIONAL IVORY TRADE. A TOTAL BAN WOULD
ABSOLVE HER FROM ANY FURTHER INVOLVEMENT IN CONTROLLING THE TRADE, WHICH
WOULD NEVERTHELESS STILL EXIST ELSEWHERE. (B) IT WOULD BE A MEANS OF
STRENGTHENING THE CITES CONVENTION. (C) IT WOULD LEAVE THE DOOR OPEN

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FOR IVORY CARVERS AND TRADERS TO PARTICIPATE IN SELF REGULATION OF THE
TRADE.
IVORY RESULTING FROM NATURAL MORTALITY COULD STILL SUPPLY THE CARVERS
AND
CONTINUE TO BE A VALUABLE SOURCE OF REVENUE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

3. WE ARE AWARE OF THE DIFFICULTIES OF ENFORCING OPTION FOUR
BUT FEEL IT SHOULD BE GIVEN A TRIAL PERIOD. SHOULD IT FAIL MORE
SWEEPING MEASURES COULD BE ENFORCED.

4. SHOULD OPTION ONE BE ADOPTED WE FEEL THAT IT SHOULD ONLY BE
A TEMPORARY MEASURE.
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